Cohort Graduation Rates

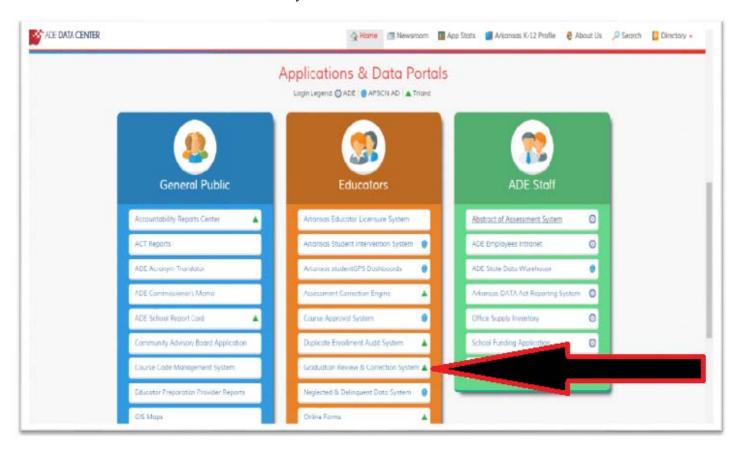


District Level Instructions

Arkansas Department of Education Public School Accountability/School Performance Unit Class of 2016 Graduation Corrections Please use this step by step guide as your District makes corrections in the Graduation Rate Review and Corrections System.

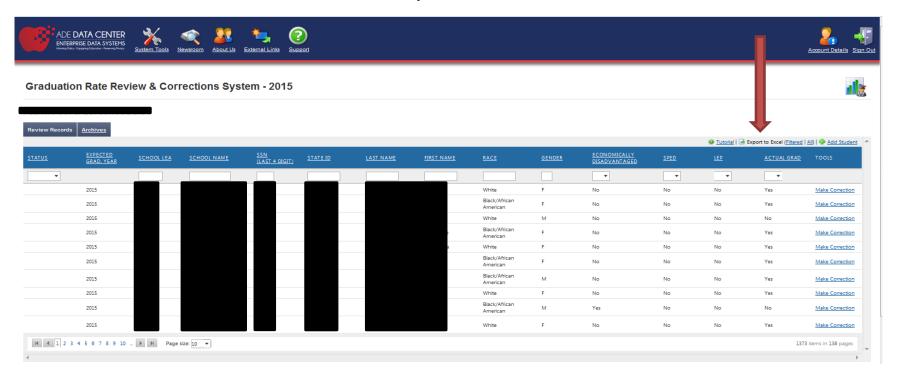
Log In:

- Go to the ADE DATA Center
- https://adedata.arkansas.gov
- Select Graduation Review and Corrections System.



- To login, the user must have a District level TRIAND account.
- Users will log on using their TRIAND Username and Password.
- If you experience any difficulties using your TRIAND Username or Password, please consult with your District TRIAND Administrator.
 - For questions regarding your TRIAND username or password, please contact the ADE Data Quality Office by calling 501.683-5660.

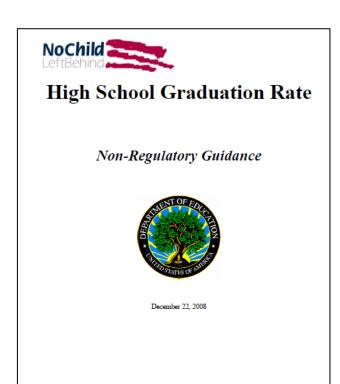
Welcome to Graduation Rate Review and Corrections System!



- In this screen, a district can see all of their schools and graduates.
- Districts can use the Export to Excel tool to transfer the data to an Excel Spreadsheet.
 - Please note that we have redacted School LEA, School Name, SSN, State ID, Last Name and First Name to protect student privacy.

Types of Corrections

- There are three types of corrections that can be made.
 - ➤ Removing a student from a cohort.
 - ➤ Adding a student to a cohort.
 - ➤ Correcting a student's demographic information.
- All corrections must have proper documentation.
 - ➤ Acceptable forms of documentation and additional information can be found in the United States Department of Education High School Graduation Rate Non-Regulatory Guidance.
 - https://www2.ed.gov/policy/elsec/guid/hsgrguidance.pdf

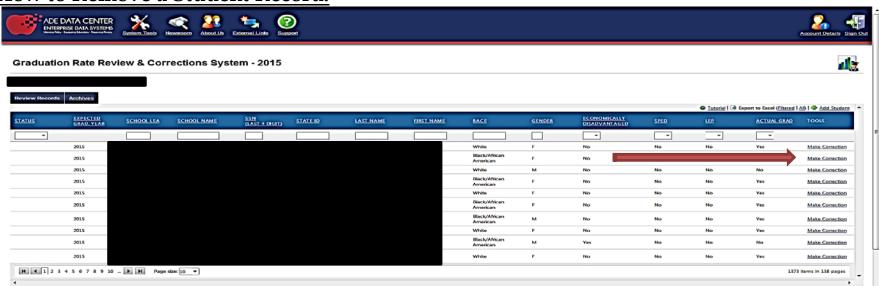


Deleting a Student Record

Which students may be removed from a cohort?

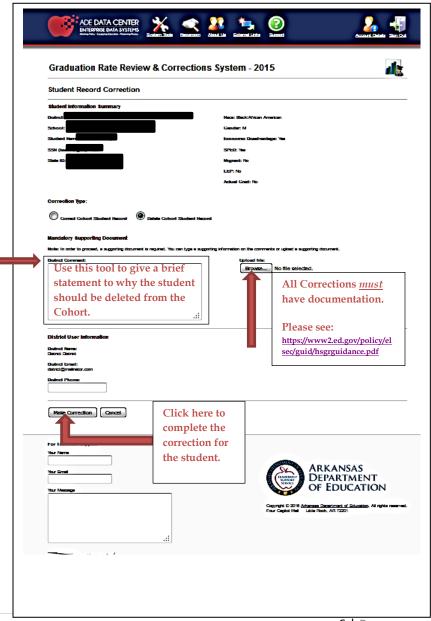
- Only a student who transfers out and enrolls in **another Arkansas school**, **homeschool**, **emigrates to another country**, **moves out of state or dies** may be removed from a high school's cohort.
- Before removing a student from a cohort, a school must obtain written confirmation that the student transferred to another Arkansas school, was homeschooled, emigrated, moved out of state or is deceased.
- A student who is retained in a grade or enrolls in a GED program may not be removed from the cohort.
- Thus, schools must ensure that a student who drops out of high school is not deemed a transfer for purposes of calculating graduation rate; rather, the student must remain in the adjusted cohort—that is, the denominator of the graduation rate calculation.

How to Remove a Student Record:



• Select a student and click on Make Correction at the end of the student's row.



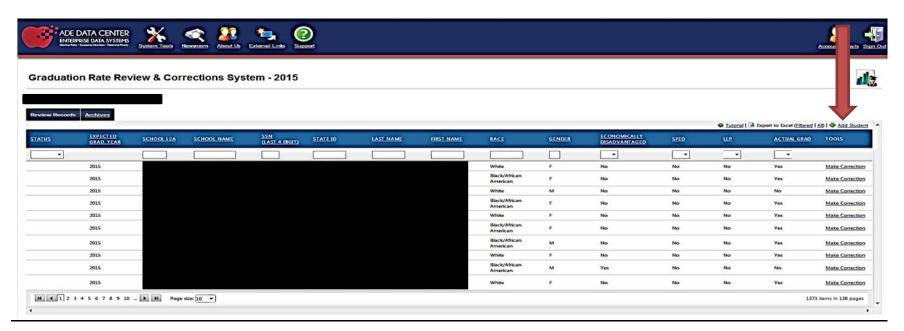


Adding a Student Record

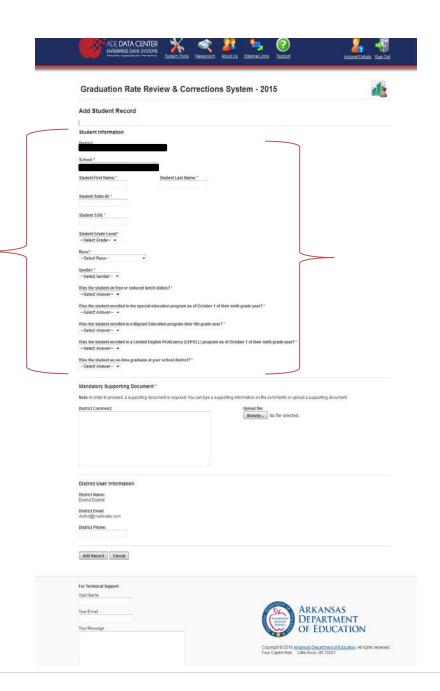
Which student can be added to a cohort?

- Only a student that was an actual on time graduate can be added to a cohort.
- An actual graduate may be added when a copy of an official transcript is uploaded into the system.
- No other students may be added to the cohort.

How to Add a Student Record:



• Click Add Student



When adding a student, it is important to fill out each box. Please double check your information for accuracy.

Note:

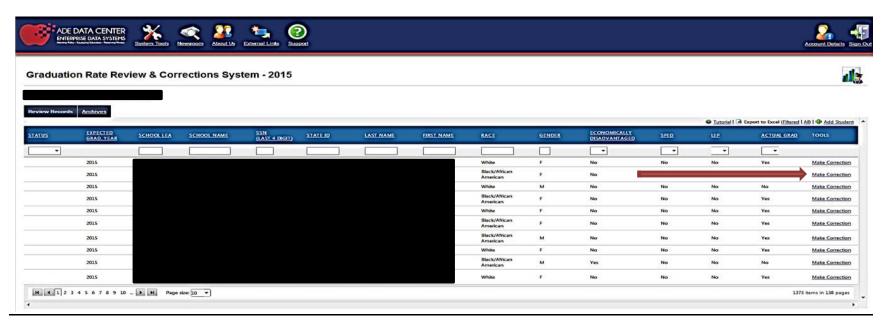
When adding a student, please be mindful that the information that is entered may impact your TAGG numbers as well as other subgroups.

Correcting a Student's Demographic Information

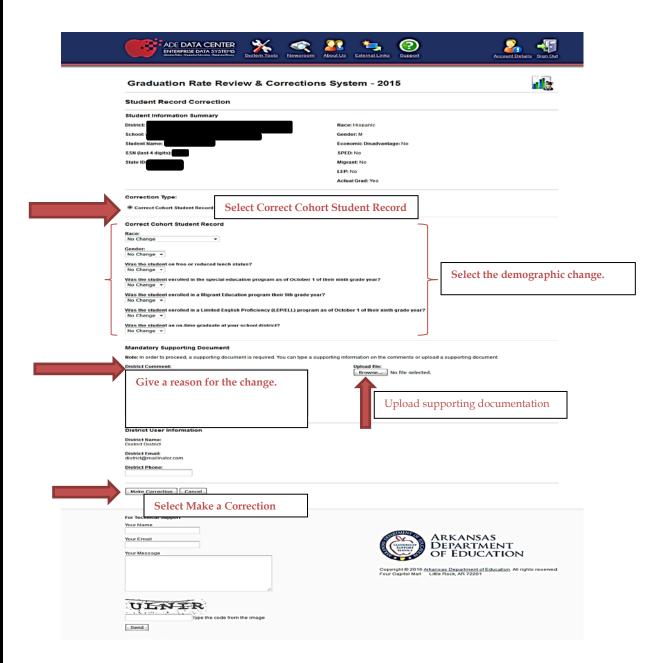
What student demographic information can be corrected in a cohort?

- Only students with an incorrect race, gender, free or reduced lunch, special education, or Limited English Proficiency status code can be changed.
- When changing a student's demographic information, a **district must submit supporting documentation**.

How to Correct a Student's Demographic Information



Select a student and click on <u>Make Correction</u> at the end of the student's row.



Key Things to Remember:

- The ADE looks at the number of years it takes to graduate a student; we do not look at the number of credits.
- A GED is not considered to be a "regular diploma."
- All students must be on time graduates. If a student repeats a grade and it takes a student more than four years to graduate, the student is considered to be a late graduate.
- Arkansas has a summer lag, which allows students to be on time graduates if they receive a "regular diploma" no later than August 15th.

Questions?

Please contact the School Performance Unit at (501)682-7339 for additional assistance.